Setting Academic Goals and Calculating Your GPA

***Objective:*** *To learn how to calculate a projected semester and cumulative GPA using realistic goal grades*

**You must have very accurate information to project your GPA. Use this worksheet and a copy of your transcript from Central Pipeline to project your semester and cumulative grade point averages.**

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| **Part I: This Semester’s Projection**   1. List your current courses in column 1. 2. Write a realistic but challenging goal grade (letter grade) in column 2. 3. List the number of credit hours for each course in column 3. 4. Put the points for each goal grade in column 4 (see the points chart). 5. Multiply points by credit hours in column 5 (column 3 X column 4 = column 5) to get the quality points. 6. Add all the credit hours in column 3. Put the sum next to “Credit Hours” in line 6 Current Semester. 7. Add all the quality points in column 5 and put the sum next to “Quality Points =” in line 6 Current Semester. 8. Divide the quality points in line 6 by the credit hours in line 6. This is your projected semester GPA.   **Part II: Cumulative Projection**   1. Fill in the overall GPA hours you have earned in the space next to “GPA HOURS” in line 7 Overall. 2. Fill in the overall quality points you have earned in the space next to “Quality Points +” in line 7 Overall. | 1. Add your overall GPA hours (line 7) to your Current Semester Credit Hours (line 6) and write the total next to “GPA Hours” on line 8 Projected NEW Overall. 2. Add your overall quality points (line 6) to your Current Semester quality points (line 7) and write the total next to “Quality Points” on line 8 Projected NEW Overall. 3. If you are NOT repeating courses, divide the quality points by GPA Hours on line 8 for Projected NEW Overall to get your Projected GPA.   **Part III: Repeated Courses**   1. List the total number of credit hours you are repeating this semester on line 9 Repeated Courses. 2. List the total of quality points of all grades that you have earned from courses you are repeating this semester in line 9. (For each class – multiply the points from the chart below X the credit hours you earned for the course – add together.) 3. Subtract the numbers on line 9 (if any) from the numbers on line 8; List them on line 10 TOTALS. 4. Divide the quality points on line 10 by the total GPA Hours on line 10. This is your projected cumulative GPA factoring repeated courses**.** |

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|  | **A =** | **4.0** | **B =** | **3.0** | **C =** | **2.0** | **D =** | **1.0** |  |
| **POINTS** | **A- =** | **3.7** | **B- =** | **2.7** | **C- =** | **1.7** | **D- =** | **0.7** |  |
|  | **B+ =** | **3.3** | **C+ =** | **2.3** | **D+ =** | **1.3** | **F =** | **0.0** |  |

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| **Column 1**  Current Courses | **Column 2**  Goal Grade | **Column 3**  Credit Hours |  | **Column 4**  Points |  | **Column 5**  Quality Points |
|  |  |  | **×** |  | **=** |  |
|  |  |  | **×** |  | **=** |  |
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**Line 6** Current Semester Credits Hours \_\_\_ \_ Quality Points \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

(Quality Points ÷ Credit Hours) PROJECTED SEMESTER GPA = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Line 7** Overall GPA Hours + \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Quality Points + \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Line 8** Projected NEW Overall GPA Hours = \_\_\_\_ \_ Quality Points = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

(Projected Overall Quality Points ÷ Projected Overall GPA Hours) PROJECTED CUMULATIVE GPA = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Part III: How to project your GPA with repeated courses**

**Line 8 Projected New Overall** GPA Hours \_\_\_\_ \_ \_ Quality Points \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Line 9 Repeated Course(s)** GPA Hours **-** (\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_) Quality Points **-** (\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_­\_\_)

**Line 10 NEW TOTALS** GPA Hours = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Quality Points = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

(NEW Total Quality Points ÷ NEW Total GPA Hours) PROJECTED CUMULATIVE GPA = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Use this side of the worksheet to project how your new found academic skills will affect your cumulative average in future semesters. Set realistic but challenging goal grades for your future classes and remember to take into account any classes that you will be retaking.

**Grade Projection after THIS Semester on Academic Probation: Semester: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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| **Column 1**  Current Courses | **Column 2**  Goal Grade | **Column 3**  Credit Hours |  | **Column 4**  Points |  | **Column 5**  Quality Points |
|  |  |  | **X** |  | **=** |  |
|  |  |  | **X** |  | **=** |  |
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**Line 6** Current Semester Quality Points **÷** Credit Hours \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

PROJECTED SEMESTER GPA = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Line 7** Overall Quality Points **+** (\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_) GPA Hours **+** (\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_)

**Line 8** Projected New Overall Quality Points = \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_ **÷** GPA Hours = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

PROJECTED GPA = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Grade Projection for the Following Semester: Semester: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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| **Column 1**  Current Courses | **Column 2**  Goal Grade | **Column 3**  Course Credits |  | **Column 4**  Points |  | **Column 5**  Quality Points |
|  |  |  | **X** |  | **=** |  |
|  |  |  | **X** |  | **=** |  |
|  |  |  | **X** |  | **=** |  |
|  |  |  | **X** |  | **=** |  |
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|  |  |  | **X** |  | **=** |  |
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**Line 6** Current Semester Quality Points **÷** Credit Hours \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

PROJECTED SEMESTER GPA = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Line 7** Overall Quality Points **+** (\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_) GPA Hours **+** (\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_)

**Line 8** Projected New Overall Quality Points = \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_ **÷** GPA Hours = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

PROJECTED GPA = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Grade Projection for 2 Semesters after Academic Probation: Semester: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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| **Column 1**  Current Courses | **Column 2**  Goal Grade | **Column 3**  Course Credits |  | **Column 4**  Points |  | **Column 5**  Quality Points |
|  |  |  | **X** |  | **=** |  |
|  |  |  | **X** |  | **=** |  |
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**Line 6** Current Semester Quality Points **÷** Credit Hours \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

PROJECTED SEMESTER GPA = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Line 7** Overall Quality Points **+** (\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_) GPA Hours **+** (\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_)

**Line 8** Projected New Overall Quality Points = \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_ **÷** GPA Hours = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

PROJECTED GPA = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_